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I feel that the proposed remedy for Microsoft's anticompetitive and monopolistic practices is inadequate in the extreme. I believe the proposed settlement not only doesn't deter Microsoft, but because of the complete lack of any realistic punishment, encourages Microsoft to continue acting in an illegal, monopolistic and anti-competitive manner.

By not prohibiting or repairing any of the staggering amount of damage caused by Microsoft's illegal conduct, such as failure to prohibit intentional incompatibilities, while lacking an effective enforcement mechanism in the actions it does require, the proposed final settlement is not even a slap on the wrist, but rather a sly wink or pat on the back.

There are so many problems with the proposed final settlement that, in my opinion, it is not in the public interest.

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